

Town of Truro

Town Manager's Weekly Report

November 3, 2017

This week's activities of note from the Town Manager's Office:

- Interviews for the Transportation Coordinator/ Program & Benefits Assistant for the Council on Aging were held this week. Top scored candidates from these interviews will be invited to a final interview round in accordance with the established hiring process.
- Members of Town boards, committees, and staff attended the fourth session of the Cape Housing Institute on financing and development of Affordable Housing.
- **Please note that Town Offices will be closed on Friday November 10th in observance of Veterans' Day.**

Upcoming Meetings:

- Monday, November 6, 2017-Zoning Board of Appeals Executive Session @ Truro Town Hall-6:45pm
- Monday, November 6, 2017-Zoning Board of Appeals @ Truro Town Hall and Public Safety Facility-7:00pm
- Tuesday, November 7, 2017-Board of Health @ Truro Town Hall – 4:30pm

Department News:

Department of Public Works

- The retaining wall at the Transfer Station has been backfilled and catch basins have been installed above and below the wall to address water drainage. In addition, a ramp to the single stream compactor has been completed and is ready for use. A boulder retaining wall is being installed along the hill side, and will be completed next week. It is important to note that all work associated with the Transfer Station has been accomplished by DPW staff with the exception of the concrete retaining wall and associated engineering. The Transfer Station Scale bid opening was last week and the award letter and contract are currently under review.
- Due to heavy rain, street sweeping and clearing of water ways continued this week throughout Town.
- Online sales for the Transfer Station permits continue with daily sales through personal computers, kiosk locations, as well as over the counter sales at Town Hall.
- The Beach Office septic system bid announcement opening will be held Friday. Our hope is to schedule an install date with the winning bidder for mid May 2018.
- East Harbor kick-off meeting activities are scheduled for the 20th of November with the Woods Hole Group.

Recreation/Beach

- Recreation
 - o Participated in Provincetown's Greet N' Treat Halloween event on Tuesday, 10/31/17 (see attached photo.)
 - o The 1st and 2nd Grade soccer team had a game versus Wellfleet (see attached photo.)
 - o Community Volleyball-Wednesdays from 6:00 pm-8:00 pm at the Truro Community Center.
 - o The Pamet After-School program is open for new registrations for the 2017-2018 season.
 - o Community Pickleball – Saturdays from 11:00 am-1:00 pm at the Truro Community Center.
 - o Zumba Fitness-Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays from 9:00 am – 10:00 am at the Truro Community Center.
 - o Youth soccer teams continue to practice and play the neighboring town's teams.
 - o Online registration for Winter Youth Sports opened this week.
- Beach
 - o Director Clements attended the Shark Working Group to discuss the presence of Great White Sharks.
 - o The Truro Beach Office is currently closed and will reopen Saturday, June 9, 2018. Beach stickers are not required to park at the town's beaches until Saturday, June 16, 2018. Effective September 4, 2017 – June 8, 2018, all beach fire permits may be obtained at the Truro Fire Department by calling (508)487-7458.

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Harbormaster

- Both the water samples and shellfish samples tested clean and the notice to open shellfish areas November 5th has been posted.
- The Harbor Master is nearing the completion of removing the moorings in the tidal basin and the floats in the basin mooring field.
- Fierce winds and heavy rains occurred for the second week in a row. The Harbor Master secured the toilets and the bailing out of dinghies as well as keeping a sharp eye on the harbor.
- We were fortunate to have exceptional weather on weekends during October and many out of State fishing boats launched out of Pamet as well as our local fishing fleet. It also was an ideal time for boaters planning to haul their boats out for the season.

Assessing

- The Assessing Department is continuing the FY18 Residential Exemption implementation and review process.
- Statutory Exemption and Residential Exemption applications continue to be accepted until April 1, 2018 at 4:00pm.

Council on Aging

- The Town of Truro and the Truro Council on Aging (COA) have launched a survey of those 55 and over to better assess how we can make Truro an even better place to live whether you live here year round or on a part-time basis. We would appreciate it if every member of your household 55 or older would fill out the survey electronically by going to <https://www.truro-ma.gov/council-on-aging/pages/senior-needs-survey>. A team headed by our neighbor, Barry Bluestone, a professor of Public Policy at Northeastern University, will be analyzing all of the data collected in this survey and will prepare a report for the town. The survey should take no more than 15 minutes to complete. Your responses are vital to the success of this project and therefore we urge you to complete the survey by no later than November 30, 2017. Thank you for your support of this important project.
- November is National Memory Screening month
The Alzheimer's Family Support Center will offer free 30-minute memory screenings at the **Truro Council on Aging on Wednesday November 22, 10 am- 12 pm**. These screenings are not diagnostic, but may indicate whether participants should see a doctor for further testing. Screenings are free, confidential, and open to the public. Please call the Truro Council on Aging at (508)487-2462 to schedule an appointment or for more information.

Library

- HOLIDAY SHOPPING OPPORTUNITIES AT THE LIBRARY. Artist Regan McCarthy's work will be displayed in the Anne H. Brock Community Room during the month of November. Ms. McCarthy has generously offered the proceeds from any sales during the month to the Friends of the Truro Library.
- On Friday, November 3rd, Assistant Director Maggie Hanelt will attend a few sessions at a school committee convention.
- On Wednesday, November 8th, Library Director Tricia Ford will be attending the CLAMS meetings in Hyannis.
- **The Library will be closed on Saturday, November 11th in honor of Veterans' Day.**
- Friday, November 17th is Truro Library Night at Montano's Restaurant. The Friends of the Truro Library will receive a portion of the proceeds from all meals served. Participating is a delicious way to support a great cause.

Administration

- Shell fishing at the Pamet opens this Sunday! You must have a current shell fishing permit to participate. Please visit the Administration Office to purchase yours.

Attachments

